

RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT COORDINATING COMMITTEE MEETING

Public Lands Policy Coordination

July 13, 2010

Minutes

Attendees:

Bill Damery, Water Quality

Joel Karmazyn, Air Quality

Members:

Lou Brown, SITLA

Rebecka Stromness, Chairwoman

Don Ogaard, BLM

Department of Transportation

Ralph Bohn, Solid & Hazardous Waste

Laura Ault, Forestry, Fire & State Lands

Kimm Harty, Utah Geological Survey

Susan Zarekarizi, State Parks

Bill Schlotthauer, Water Rights

Todd Adams, Water Resources

Ron Daniels, Governor's Energy Office

Staff:

Kelly Beck

Judy Edwards

John Hurst

Clare Duignan

The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Rebecka Stromness at 9:03 A.M.

Approval of Minutes:

- Motion to approve June minutes made by Kimm Harty. Motion seconded by Susan Zarekarizi. Motion passed unanimously.

Reports from Agencies:

- Laura Ault reported the following from the Division of Forestry, Fire & State Lands:
 - The Great Salt Lake Advisory Council is starting up the management plan. Planning meeting July 13.
 - Position for Sovereign Lands Coordinator is open till the end of July.
- Susan Zarekarizi reported the following from Utah State Parks:
 - It is open season for grants.
 - To apply for grants go to www.stateparks.utah.gov and click on the 'Grants' tab.
- Bill Schlotthauer reported the following from the Division of Water Rights:
 - There is an opening for assistant regional engineer in the Utah Lake Jordan River Office. Position closes on July 16.
 - Adding a historic properties form to website. Form to be submitted with application.
- Todd Adams reported the following from the Division of Water Resources:
 - The Jordan River Basin State Plan has been published.

- Ron Daniels reported the following from the Governor's Energy Office:
 - Currently, and in the near future, GOED is working as staff to the Governor's Energy Initiative.
 - General plan is to contact stakeholders to have a series of hearings, set in Vernal, Price, Cedar City, and Salt Lake City to develop a plan that will culminate in a climate plan by mid-November.
 - Held one of five monthly Utah energy forums yesterday, July 12. The topic was Environmental Management in Oil and Gas Operations.
 - Next forum is September 23. Topic will be Energy Efficiency and UBEES.
- Bill Damery reported the following from the Division of Water Quality:
 - There are new applicants interested in setting up a potash meeting with DOGM.
 - WQ is still heavily involved in the Red Butte clean up.
- Joel Karmazyn reported the following from the Division of Air Quality:
 - They are in process of evaluating placing the fugitive dust plan filing online. They're not getting the level of compliance they want. Right now it is filed manually.
 - Putting it online with the Storm water permit to have unified program. There need to be a unified expectation of what the plan will accomplish.
- Lou Brown reported the following from SITLA:
 - He will be replacing Rick Wilcox on RDCC.
 - A couple renewable energy projects are in the beginning stages.
 - Working on a lands bill in Piute County.
- Don Ogaard reported the following from the BLM:
 - Cedar City RMP revision. Notice of Intent currently at the Washington office for approval.
 - St. George RMP scoping is complete. Analyzing comments now.
 - Magnum FERC – BLM just about completed their revisions to the applicant prepared EA. Expect to send back to FERC soon.
 - Mona to Oquirrh, received 14 letters of protest. Protests are resolved by the Washington office.
 - Tropic to Hatch Garkane power line preliminary final EIS is in review. Working on resolution of the comments of the draft. Expect to see a review FEIS shortly.
 - UNEV record of decision was signed. Couple of issues on the plan of development.
 - Greater Natural Buttes notice of availability will be published July 16.
- Kelly Beck reported the following from the Public Lands Policy Coordination Office:
 - Sigurd to Red Butte – alternate bisecting Fremont State Park has been taken off the table. Coop agency meeting July 15. Better idea by end of the week.
 - TransWest and Energy Gateway South – cultural resource stuff. Pulled back their timeline, looking at route alternatives.

- Kelly has been working with the BLM Monticello FO. San Juan County has applied for a Right of Way through Recapture Canyon for an ATV trail. Likely to be a fairly long process.
- DOGM abandoned mines program is working out a programmatic agreement for cultural resource compliance for both Federal Section 106 and state statute.
- DOGM coal program is also working through process for cultural resource compliance.
- Rebecka Stromness reported the following from the Department of Transportation:
 - West Davis Corridor. A series of meetings set up for development.
- Judy Edwards reported the following from PLPCO:
 - EA out on Commercial Motorized Special Recreation Permits in the Vermillion cliffs. Needs to be reviewed.
 - Uinta Oil and Gas DEIS is being reviewed.
 - Working on the Solar DEIS.
 - Wild and Scenic rivers is being worked on.
 - Helping Department of Transportation understand RDCC's role.
 - Magnum continues to move. Bonding for Magnum was resolved.
 - Ruby Pipeline continues to get short conditional permits.
 - Ute EIS is moving forward. There will be a conference call July 20.

Next meeting will be August 10, same location, same time.

Meeting adjourned at 9:38 AM.